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Contract Let for Repaving

Immediate steps toward the re-paving of Via Monte D'Oro in Hollywood Riviera and Border avenue between Torrance boulevard and Arlington were taken by the City Council this week.

Contract for the 2000 tons of plant-mix surfacing material was awarded to the Griffith Company on its low bid of \$8700. Three other bids were received, ranging up to \$9480.

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Oil Ordinance Again Fails for Lack of Second

For lack of a second, the new city ordinance to regulate the drilling, maintenance and abandonment of oil wells within the city limits of Torrance failed to get its second and final reading Tuesday night at council meeting.

Councilman Bob Haggard called for the second reading of the ordinance, known as Ordinance 440, but no other city councilman offered to second it. Councilman Nick Draie said it was his understanding that the council had agreed at the last meeting to lay the matter over for 60 days.

Following some discussion as to whether this was agreed to in regular session, Haggard moved to dispense with further reading of the ordinance. This motion also failed for want of a second, and Mayor J. Hugh Sherfy Jr. called for the next item of business.

REALTORS ELECTION

Annual election to select members of the board of directors of the Torrance-Lomita Realty Board will be held next Monday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m. at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

New Walteria Library Will Greet Visitors

Walteria's library will open its doors to the public in its new home in the community park at 1 p.m. today, with visitors expected from throughout the area the newly-enlarged branch will serve, according to Mrs. Margaret Dowd, librarian.

Originally opened in July, 1937, with 500 books and 194 borrowers the first year, the library now has a basic collection of 1103 volumes and a total circulation of 20,049 for the last fiscal year. Circulation doubled last year.

During the 11-year period, since Mrs. Dowd was the first librarian, Mrs. Berry Harline, Mrs. Mary Riggs, Mrs. L. Durant and Mrs. Effie Palmer have served during Mrs. Dowd's leave of absence.

Plans are being made for landscaping the building as soon as possible. Painted white on the exterior, the interior is a soft green, and fluorescent lighting has been installed. It is heated by a floor furnace.

Marine Lets Situation Get Out of Hand!

Bennie J. Cofington is one Marine who doesn't have the situation well in hand—nor his wallet.

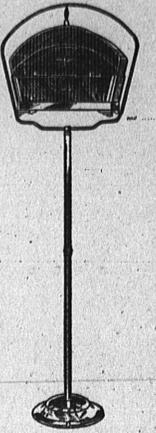
Cofington was walking along Cabrillo avenue last Sunday night when a car stopped and offered him a ride. He accepted. Two blocks later the driver, a white woman about 25 years old, told the Marine she had forgotten something and that if he would wait on the corner she would be back and pick him up.

The fare for the trip proved rather expensive as the Marine discovered his wallet and \$40 were no longer with him.

Hospital Cases

Residents of Torrance, Lomita, Harbor City and other nearby areas who were listed as patients at the Torrance Memorial Hospital during the past week include:

Grant Belles, 3503 Torrance blvd.
 Robert Putnam, 2444 Hawthorne blvd.
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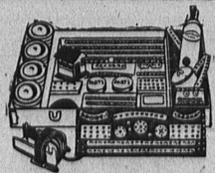
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Wife of City Attorney Hurt

Injured when the car in which she was riding was smashed into by a truck and trailer in Bellflower last Friday morning, Mrs. O. Douglass Smith, wife of the city attorney of Torrance, was confined to Torrance Memorial Hospital this week for observation of possible internal injuries.

The city official said that Mrs. Smith had stopped at the scene of a school bus accident when an approaching truck, said by police to have been driven by William Volkoff of Paramount, crashed into the rear of Mrs. Smith's auto.

Taken to Los Amigos Hospital for emergency treatment for a concussion and shock, Mrs. Smith was later transferred to the Torrance hospital, on recommendation of her physician, Dr. Eugene Cook.

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